

REFORMERS UNITE TO BACK M'CADE

Delaware County Association Indorses Broomall's Rival for the Bench

ASK RANKIN SUPPORT Movement Is Launched to End So-Called Government by Rum

By a Staff Correspondent CHESTER, Pa., Oct. 26. The reform forces of Delaware County are using behind Albert Dutton Broomall, the candidate for Common Pleas Judge, the hope of defeating Judge William D. Broomall and thereby delivering a crushing blow against the McClure liquor ring, which now virtually controls the political situation.

The People's Association of Delaware County, many of whose members supported James L. Rankin for nomination for Judge, in the primary, has issued an appeal to all friends of good government and foes of rum to vote for Rankin in the election, November 6, the only hope of the reformers, who is now

The combined vote of MacDade and Rankin at the primary exceeded the vote for Broomall, says the association, and if it were not for Rankin's withdrawal from the race, Broomall would have been defeated. Rankin was well known as violently opposed to the saloon. Broomall was the candidate favored by the McClure political ring. In Delaware County generally association with liquor domination.

Rankin, according to the MacDade followers, would deny every license application and make the county dry. Rankin didn't deny it. MacDade was known to be a member of the McClure ring, and he was not for against the saloon as a member, but opposed to a corrupt liquor power and at the same time willing to grant a license if it should appear in the community.

MacDade has written an open letter to the People's Association in which he keeps the stand he took before the primary, pledges himself to rigid enforcement of election laws and declares he will put an end to jury-stuffing scandals.

The letter of the People's Association urging MacDade's election follows:

APPEAL TO COUNTY Citizens of Delaware County: The office of Judge is the most important in the county. The general election of November 6, therefore, offers an exceptional opportunity to strike a sledgehammer blow at the rum-bossed political machine which has so long throttled our free institutions.

Judge William B. Broomall has been on the bench for the last ten years, is now seventy-five years old and is a candidate for re-election. During these ten years the standing and reputation of our county seems to us to have steadily declined, until now we find a general lack of confidence in it that is a reproach to our county.

During this term the jury wheel was stuffed in gross violation of law, and the criminals went unpunished. The liquor license law has been so administered that the sale and perpetuation of liquor have increased, and according to open assertion and honest belief, licensees have been granted principally in the interest of one family and those whom that family designates.

The common belief is that riots, disorders and murders in Chester are the result of an impression that our court is allied with the liquor-bossed political machine that criminals with political protection can go unpunished. Conditions exist in our county an objectionable in the notorious jury wheel, in Philadelphia. Drunkenness, lawlessness, crime, suffering and moral degeneration have increased in Delaware County.

The resulting deep and irreparable harm to our whole county life cannot be overestimated. It is not evident that we must build with other timber? That to re-elect Judge Broomall, the nominee of this same liquor-controlled political machine, is but to endorse and perpetuate the old powers and the old evils.

At the recent primary election the vote for Judge on the nonpartisan ballot was as follows: William B. Broomall . . . . . 10,954 Albert Dutton Broomall . . . . . 2,212 James L. Rankin . . . . . 3,546

The majority of the combined opposition against Judge Broomall was, therefore, 864. At the general election the only name to appear in opposition to Judge Broomall will be that of Mr. MacDade.

The People's Association, therefore, turned to Mr. MacDade as the one source from which to hope for relief from the deplorable conditions under which our county has long suffered.

Mr. MacDade has made a clear statement of the platform upon which he stands, and pledges of the principles which will govern him if elected. This statement meets our hearty approval. We believe it is made with sincere purpose of fulfillment.

We, therefore, heartily indorse Mr. MacDade for the high office of Judge of Delaware County, and urge all of our fellow citizens to work and vote for him. A copy of Mr. MacDade's statement is enclosed here with your information.

In the two terms Mr. MacDade served as District Attorney in Delaware County his official acts proved that he was not subservient to the corrupt and criminal political organization then, as now, controlling the government of Delaware County.

The vote for Judge is nonpartisan. No question of party loyalty is involved, but the vital interests of our county are at stake. We urge with deepest earnestness, therefore, that every citizen recognize his obligation and do his duty by voting.

We believe that in large majority our citizens will vote for the emancipation of Delaware County from rum rule and dishonest politics by voting for Albert Dutton MacDade.

People's Association of Delaware County, FRANKLIN N. BRIDGES, President, J. W. ZIEGLER, Secretary.

HOOPER AID IN TRENTON F. C. Walcott Talks on Necessity for Food Conservation

TRENTON, Oct. 26.—Representatives of the food conservation campaign in New Jersey from all the southern counties of the State attended a meeting in the Assembly chamber on yesterday at which Governor Edge and the committee on food conservation, headed by Director Hoover, were the principal speakers.

Mr. Walcott's address dealt with the Prussian system and the necessities confronting this country in the conservation of food. Predicting a long, hard struggle before the war is ended, he said the pinch of food shortage had not yet been felt here.

Mr. Walcott, at Newark last night addressed an assembly composed of the representatives of the northern counties of the State in the food conservation movement.

U-Boat Chases Italian Ship Into Port AN ATLANTIC PORT, Oct. 26.—An Italian steamship, arriving here today, reported it had been followed by a German submarine for three days while on the coast of Spain and finally was compelled to put into Valencia to avoid the enemy. Two persons also were sighted within 400 yards October 15.

MILLIONS OF DRESSINGS ARE NEEDED BY RED CROSS

Major Grayson-Murphy Cables Urgent Call for Them—Many Lost on Torpedoed Ship

An urgent appeal for millions of standard surgical dressings was received by cable in this city today by the Red Cross from Major Grayson-Murphy, chief of the Red Cross Commission in France.

It is announced that a few weeks ago two and a half millions of these dressings were lost on one torpedoed ship. The number of more dressings than are required are being produced in this country is absolutely denied. The cablegram received today says:

"Red Cross standard dressings in millions must be sent over with all possible speed. If this is not done immediately a serious calamity and national disgrace is inevitable."

BISHOPS, IN MILITANT MOOD, JUSTIFY U. S.

Methodists Declare Hope of Civilization Rests Upon Victory Over Germany

ATLANTIC CITY, Oct. 26. The House of Bishops, in an address to 6,000 members of the Methodist Episcopal Church throughout America, today justified the entry of the United States into the world war. Bishop Joseph H. Berry, of Philadelphia, who is the presiding officer of the body, was ill this morning and unable to preside. His indisposition is not of a serious nature, it was stated at his hotel. Methodism's war declaration follows:

"The bishops assembled in the regular session of the Methodist Episcopal Church express the conviction that the fate of civilization hinges upon the outcome of the present war. If the doctrine that might makes right, the acceptance of military autocracy as the most efficient means of organizing might, the use of diplomatic duplicity to cover its designs, and the resort to inhumanities to spread terror and lead to submission all triumph in this struggle, our civilization sinks back for centuries."

NEW ENERGY FOR CIVILIZATION "Upon the other hand, respect for the sovereignty of each nation, great and small, universal democracy and the protest against inhumanities and violation of international law triumph, civilization will spring forward with new energy."

The declaration further declares satisfaction with the seriousness with which the people are taking the war, especially with reference to the appeals for loans and the acceptance of heavy taxation. It also urges a heavier taxation of the profits of business, in order to lighten the burden of war debt for the coming generations, but urges that the conservation of funds for educational and philanthropic purposes shall not be impaired.

It lays special emphasis upon the need for a stern outlawry of all forms of vice which sap strength of our soldiers and of the manufacture and use of strong drink, which saps the strength of the nation at home, declaring that the economic strain at the close of the war, as well as the perpetual prohibition of the saloon. It further says:

HOPE FOR GERMAN REVOLT "We desire to express our most earnest hope that the appeal of the President to the people of the German Empire may find ultimate response. We find it hard to believe that the crimes of official Germany during the last three years really represent the spirit of a people, with large sections of whom our church has been working for the advancement of the kingdom of God for half a century. We would urge with all our power upon the German people that, while America is fighting against the system which she cannot, in the light of facts, regard as other than evil, she is striving to keep free from hatred of the German people. We welcome the statement of President Wilson early this morning, in which he declared that Germany or for an economic boycott after the war."

The bishops this morning adopted plans for a war board to carry Methodism directly into the campaign on this side of the Atlantic and into the prison camps across the sea. Authorization for the \$40,000,000 drive for foreign missions was deferred until February. The great drive, however, which will be held in connection with the centennial of the board of foreign missions. Pittsburgh was chosen for the next semiannual meeting in May.

DE VALERA CHOSEN TO HEAD SINN FEIN

Elected President of Dublin Convention—Membership Grows to 250,000

DUBLIN, Oct. 26. Prof. Edward De Valera, M. P., was unanimously elected president of the Sinn Fein convention today. His choice was hailed by Count Plunkett as particularly appropriate.

"We are now headed by a statesman as well as by a soldier," he asserted. Doctor Dillon reported that the Sinn Fein movement was growing by leaps and bounds. He said there were now 12,000 Sinn Fein clubs organized in Ireland, with a membership of 250,000 persons.

The convention has decided that the members of the organization shall be trained in the use of arms, although this will not be compulsory. The convention promised that the provisional Government of Ireland should be established without delay. It adopted a provisional constitution aimed at securing the international recognition of Ireland as an independent republic and providing for the convocation of a constitutional assembly.

The convention was orderly. The speeches were delivered partly in the Irish language. Arthur Griffith, founder of the organization, presided. There were 1700 delegates present, including many young priests.

In his opening address Mr. Griffith said that the Sinn Fein movement began to spread from the moment John Redmond, in the House of Commons in 1911, asserted that England's war was Ireland's war. But the movement would not have obtained the hold it had except for the martyrdom of the sixteen men put to death after the Easter rising.

He denied that the Sinn Fein movement was supported by German gold. It was carried on, he said, by thousands of persons working without fee. They had got all the gold and service they needed from the Irish.

GIRL HIT BY AUTOMOBILE Taken to Hospital and Driver of Car Arrested

Nine-year-old Ella McGurk, 2683 Arch street, was slightly hurt today when she was struck by an automobile at Twenty-first and Arch streets. She was taken to the Mahanmeyer Hospital, where it was said that her condition was not serious.

T. J. Talley, Jr., 3125 North Seventeenth street, driver of the machine, was arrested October 15.

CONDON, IN U. S. UNIFORM, DENIES MURDER CHARGE

Contradicts Every Material Point in Trial for Alleged Killing of Rutgers Student

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Oct. 26. Captain William J. Condon, the United States army surgeon charged with the murder of John W. Piper, the Rutgers College student, who fended the Condon furnace, took the stand in his own defense today. Condon explained his whereabouts every minute of the day and night on which Piper mysteriously dropped out of sight.

He said he never saw Piper on the night of February 17, the date the student disappeared. He told of seeing different patients on that night, which, according to witnesses introduced by the State, was the night when a shot was heard in the vicinity of the Condon home.

Captain Condon appeared in uniform. When the witness was asked if the body of Piper was ever in the collar of his home, he replied: "No, absolutely no."

When asked if he took the body of Piper in his machine to the Spottwood road, he replied "I did not."

He said that the white substance found on the seat of his automobile and on his house was a metal polish he used in cleaning the carburetor of his machine and not lime, as experts testified.

THIEVES ACTIVE IN CITY AND IN THE SUBURBS

Jewelry and Other Merchandise, Money and Automobiles Included in Loot

Jewelry valued at more than \$2000 was stolen from the home of Theodore Kollischer, 6442 Drexel road, early today. The thieves, the police say, entered through an unfastened window at the rear of the house. They made safe getaway before the robbery was discovered. Several diamonds were included in the loot.

A loaded wagon, the property of Peter Cavanaugh, a drayman, 222 Chestnut street, was stolen from in front of a pier at Delaware avenue early today. Boxes with goods valued at \$700 were stolen. The empty wagon later was recovered.

Thieves entered the home of Nathan Hechler, of 1912 Montgomery avenue, cash and jewelry valued at \$100 were taken.

The automobile of Wynne Richards, of Media, valued at \$500, was stolen from Juniper and Locust streets. The automobile of Henry W. Ribley, of Wynnd, valued at \$500, also was stolen, according to the police.

Ocean War Risk Rates Go Down

War insurance rates on ocean-going ships are lower than at any time since the German U-boat war became unrestricted, which is taken in shipping circles to mean that the submarine menace is decreasing. Premiums asked for shipping to English and Spanish ports and Bordeaux, once 10 per cent, now are 5 1/2 per cent, while rates on Mediterranean ports range from 7 to 10 per cent.

WORKMAN KILLS HIMSELF Puts Shotgun in Vise at Shop and Pulls Trigger

First picking a shotgun in a vise, Vincenzo Scala, fifty years old, of 1726 Jackson street, pulled the trigger and killed himself early this morning in Jordan's Brick Yard, Twenty-fifth street and Passunk avenue.

He was pronounced dead at the St. Agnes Hospital. The police are investigating.

CHEVALIER NARDI GETS ITALIAN ORDER OF CROWN

The Italian Order of the Crown was presented to Chevalier Emanuele V. H. Nardi, official court interpreter, at a dinner at the Continental Hotel, at which he was the guest of honor. It was conferred on him in recognition of his thirty years' work for the welfare of Italians in Philadelphia.

The dinner, held last night, was attended by 600 guests, who heard speeches in English and Italian. The speakers were Judge Charles A. McMichael, Dr. Alfredo Aloia, Chevalier Charles C. A. Baldi, Judge Norris E. Barratt, Francesco Trapani, of New York, Domenico D'Aquanno, Judge John M. Patterson and Chevalier Giuseppe Gentile, local Italian Consul.

John M. Querrillo, chairman of the committee of arrangements, presented Chevalier Nardi with a large cut glass punch bowl as a gift of Italians of the colony. Vito A. Del Vecchio, was vice chairman, and Vincent S. Belling, toastmaster.

SAMMEES MUST SMOKE, AND THIS IS NO JOKE

Give Them Lots of "Terbaccor" or Else Be Dubbed "Slacker"

The Sammees must smoke—and this is no joke—for comfort and pleasure and peace. So the least we can do to prove we are true is to send them tobacco it seems.

Now suppose that you gave up the pleasures you crave and shouldered a knapsack and gun, and left your good home over the ocean to roam to fair France to make Boches run, would you think it quite fair when you got over there and found smokesmiths, all as it's said, while the friends who could come to the rescue with some sent you naught but kind wishes instead?

Of course you would not, you'd complain of your lot, you'd grumble, you'd growl and you'd rant, but never a word from the Sammees is heard, who believes you will send him some yet.

No dig in your "leaves" and bring forth the "beans" or smoke not at all for a day, or don't use your ear and walk—it's not far—there's always some trifling way to save a few cents without many dents or discomforts as you will agree, for it takes no great gift to do your small bit for the boys who will help you and me.

So remember to stray, when you're up that way, to Walnut street one-four-two-eight, where the friends of these boys who need smoking joys for your small contributions wait.

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GARBAGE COMPANY TO MAKE NEW BID

Second Proposal to Replace Rejected Estimate Asking Big Increase

SURE TO GET CONTRACT

Certain that they will land the 1918 garbage collections at a satisfactory figure, officials of the Penn Reduction Company will submit a new proposal to take the place of the one calling for \$665,266, which Mayor Smith thinks excessive. Garbage collections this year cost the city \$432,000, last year \$60,000 less and during the last years of the Blankenburg administration they dropped as low as \$229,000.

Harry D. Baaston, vice leader of the Fortieth Ward and president of the Penn Company, and Fred W. Willard, a downtown Vaux leader, who is manager of the company, did their best to have their record-breaking figure accepted, and when it was finally decided that they had overshot the mark, agreed to submit new estimates that will probably save the city the cost of re-advertising for bids and other expenses incident to delaying the letting of the contract until near the close of the year.

Because of the short time allowed, it would be impossible for a competing company to enter the garbage collecting field in time to submit estimates for 1918 or to have to construct an incinerating plant and collection routes in time to take over the big task.

The Penn Reduction Company officials,

having no opposition, will only be put to the trouble of changing, in any degree they see fit, their original estimate of \$665,266. Their new estimate is bound to be accepted, as garbage collections cannot be delayed for any length of time and contracts must be awarded before the first of the new year.

The slight delay in letting the garbage contract to the Penn Company, occasioned by the determination of Mayor Smith not to award the work at this time, will mean that the company so real improvement other than the changing of an estimate blank and submitting a new estimate based on announcing the hold-up, Director Baaston, of the Department of Public Works, said there was some "misunderstanding" among subcontractors who do the work for the Penn Company and that its settlement might lead to a better estimate later on.

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